

## GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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## WEEKEND LANE CLOSURES SLATED FOR I-20 PROJECT

ATLANTA- The Georgia Department of Transportation is warning drivers to expect heavy delays along I-20 in DeKalb and Rockdale counties as crews continue the resurfacing project between SR 138 and SR 124.

Starting this Friday at 9 p.m. through Monday 5 a.m., the two inside westbound lanes will be closed from State Route 138 in Conyers to State Route 124 (Turner Hill Road). Crews plan to pave in this six-mile section, weather permitting. The \$12.2 million project which includes resurfacing and restriping of access ramps is scheduled to be completed in fall 2009.

"We had about a 30-minute sustained delay during the daytime hours last weekend," said DOT District Construction Engineer Mickey McGee. "But I expect the delays to be a little longer this weekend due to the fact that the contractor will be working in the lane directly adjacent to traffic."

The majority of the work will be limited to weekends and two travel lanes will remain open at all times while resurfacing is underway. The travel lanes open this weekend will be the right lane and the shoulder, which will also be striped for traffic.

It is important for motorists to use caution when traveling through a work zone. Signs will be posted alerting drivers of the work zone area. Please note that speed limits in a work zone are reduced and enforced. Fines are doubled for speeding in a work zone.

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511 for updated information about this project. Georgia 511 is a free phone service that provides real-time traffic and travel information statewide, such as traffic conditions, incidents, lane

closures, construction, and delays due to bad weather. Callers can also reach live operators to request assistance or report incidents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information is available at <a href="www.511ga.org">www.511ga.org</a>.

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